



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : Wigbert Hauner  
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Customer No. : 23439

Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 3, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.